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Intimations.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in this above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 27th Proximo, at Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th Proximo, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, January 27, 1896. 217

JUST RECEIVED.

NEW SEASON'S WOOD'S COW-BRAND AUSTRALIAN BUTTER.
in Fine Condition.
Also,
WOOD'S COLONIAL DAIRY CHEESE.
GEO. P. LAMMEY,
Sole Agent.
Hongkong, January 23, 1896. 187

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned have been REMOVED to the FIRST FLOOR No. 7, PRINCE CENTRAL.
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, February 10, 1896. 324

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.
NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
VULCANIZED RUBBER TELESCOPES.
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
RICHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES.
ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English Silver & Electro-Plated Ware.
Christie & Co.'s Electro-Plated Ware.
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY
in great variety.
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DIAMOND JEWELLERY.
A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 724
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THIS Establishment, situated in the elegant Building known as 'CON-NAUGHT HOUSE,' offers First-Class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers.
Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendants.
Favourable Arrangements made for Families and for Monthly or Extended Periods.
P. BOHM,
Proprietor and Manager.
Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

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are universally admitted to be **WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.**
FOR BILIOUS, NERVOUS DISORDERS,
SICK HEADACHE, LOSS OF APPETITE,
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For females of all ages they are invaluable.
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Shipping.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
The Co.'s Steamship
Taiguang,
Capt. R. Nelson, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Inst., at 3 p.m.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A fully-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted through-out with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 14, 1896. 290

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
The Steamship
Suakiang,
Capt. C. B. N. Donn, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Inst., at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 370

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI AND CHEFOO.
The Steamship
Kwintin,
Captain HARRIS, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 842

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
The Steamship
Frisco,
Captain RAMSAY, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd Inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 12, 1896. 351

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship
Port Adelaide,
Capt. MORAN, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 28th February, followed by the S.S. *Gazelle*, which will be despatched on or about the 15th March.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 429

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.
The Co.'s Steamship
Merita,
Capt. W. DANIEL, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd Inst.
To be followed by the Company's Steamship
Spandita,
which will be for the above destination on THURSDAY, the 27th Inst.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 6, 1896. 293

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).
The Steamship
Nanchang,
Capt. FENLAXON, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 24th Inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 335

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship
Dionid,
Capt. BARTHELEMY, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd March.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 334

FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE AND HAMBURG.
(Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers).
(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)
The Steamship
Oceania,
Capt. H. FORMER, will be despatched for the above Port on or about TUESDAY, the 3rd March.
This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 1, 1896. 297

Sailing Vessels.
FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 100 A.T. British Ship
Brickfield,
Fenotroz, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 6, 1895. 297

Waterbury Watches.
SERIES 'L' or Lady's Size @ \$4.50 each.
Do 'J' or Gent's do. @ \$4.50 do.
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Hongkong, December 28, 1895. 2104

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Notices of Firms.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Messrs. ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. have this Day been appointed SUB-AGENTS for the above Company.
1st January, 1896.
S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

WITH Reference to the above we are prepared to accept FINE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Sub-Agents.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this Day ESTABLISHED myself as SHIP and GENERAL BROKER.
C. P. KARBURG.
Hongkong, February 1, 1896. 250

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS in Hongkong and China for Messrs. RUDOLF DASSCHNER & Co., and MANAGERS of Messrs. RUDOLF DASSCHNER & Co.'s FEATHER FACTORY, at Kennedy Town, HONGKONG.
LUTS, WEGENER & Co.
Hongkong, February, 1896. 359

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
ON and after MONDAY, the 17th Inst., Mr. L. KENNARD DAVIS will act as Agent of the Company at this Branch.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
B. O. T. GRAY,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 304

Notices to Consignees.
STEAMSHIP ERNEST SIMONS.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or S.S. *Memphis* and *Bagdad*, from Havre or S.S. *Bagdad*, and from Bordeaux or S.S. *Ville de Dunkerque*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon To-day (Monday), the 17th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 24th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 24th Inst., or they will not be recognized.
All Damaged Packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 24th Inst., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.
C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 17, 1896. 374

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
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Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.
STEAM FOR:
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, HATYIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.
4350
POINTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

TO-MORROW, the 19th Inst., at 10 a.m., the Company's S.S. CALEDONIAN, Commandant L. BLANC, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIMENS, and CARGO, will leave the Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, without transshipment.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 a.m. Specimens and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 18th Inst. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).
Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 18, 1896. 304

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR:
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUET, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS.
Also,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, HALVSTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGERS.
N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich..... Tuesday | March 3.
Prinzess..... Tuesday | March 31.
Sachsen..... Tuesday | April 23.
Karlsruhe..... Tuesday | May 26.
Prinz Heinrich..... Tuesday | June 23.

ON TUESDAY, the 3rd day of March, 1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Capt. W. SCHMIDTKE, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIMENS, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 29th February, Cargo and Specimens will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 2nd March, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 2nd March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 6, 1896. 399

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.
THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the Pacific Coast and to the Interior and Eastern Cities of the United States and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, \$400.
Excellent accommodation. First class Table, Doctor and Stewardess carried.
HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, \$350.
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL Park route. Passengers to Europe may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL Liners.
HONGKONG TO TAOCMA, \$285.
Rates of Passage to other Ports on Application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
Hankow..... 5.54 | Tuesday | Mar. 10.
Tacoma..... 2.54 | Tuesday | April 7.
Victoria..... 3.17 | Tuesday | May 5.

THE Steamship *HANKOW*, Captain W. S. OSM, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 10th March, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TAOCMA (Wash.) via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.
Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forwarded by the steamer to the Port of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash. Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 10, 1896. 323

SAILORS HOME.
ANY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or Papers will be thankfully received by the Sailer's Home, West Point.
Address: Care of STEAMSHIP AGENTS.

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Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... SATURDAY, Feb. 22, at noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... THURSDAY, Mar. 12, at noon.
City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... TUESDAY, Mar. 31, at noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship *PERU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of the line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.
Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-shipment to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and inland cities of the United States, via Overland Railway to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. the same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, PRINCE CENTRAL.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 8, 1896. 317

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Goette (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... THURSDAY, March 8, at noon.
Goette (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... SATURDAY, Mar. 21, at noon.
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